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In re application of:

David R. Corbin et al.

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I hereby verify this petition to suspend sequence rules together with the above-identified patent application is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 Express Mail Label No. EK016827222US on the date indicated and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

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Petition to Suspend Sequence Rules

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.183 and M.P.E.P. § 1002.02(c)(2), for a suspension of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 in the above-identified application. In particular, Applicant requests suspension of the non-statutory requirement for a paper copy of the Sequence Listing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(c), and further requests that the computer-readable form of the Sequence Listing filed in this application be considered as the official Sequence Listing.

The Sequence Listing in this application is extremely large, and in paper form would be over 5,500 pages in length. The preparation and filing of a paper Sequence Listing of this size would be logistically difficult and costly for Applicant, and the examination thereof by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is presumed to be inconvenient. Granting this Petition to suspend



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the requirement for a paper copy in this application would not create any undue burden on the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$130.00 covering the required fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)), to our Deposit Account No. 13-4125. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 13-4125. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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